

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

LIBERTY MIDDLE

Pickens

Grades: 5-8 **Enrollment: 717**

Principal: Donivan Edwards Superintendent: Dr. Henry Hunt **Board Chair: Jim Shelton**

PERFORMANCE

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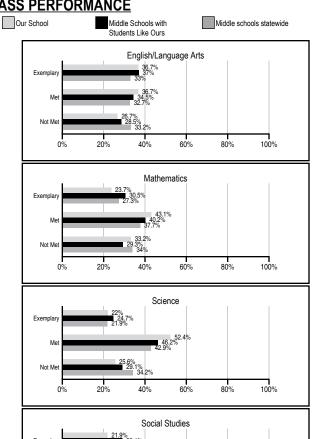
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2010	Average	Average	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2009	Average	Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2008	Below Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

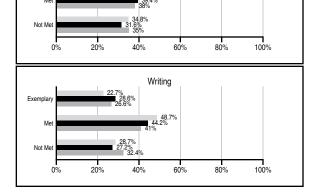
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
2	10	46	0	0

^{*} Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/09/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are Middle Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.







NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels

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READING - GRADE 8 (2009)					
South Carolina		32	44	23	2
Nation		26	43	28	
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MATH – GRADE	8 (2009))			
South Carolina		31	39	23	7
Nation		29	39	25	7
% Below Basic					
SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2005)					
South Carolina		31	39	23	7
Nation		29	39	25	
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END OF COURSE TESTS - 2010					
% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours			
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	98.2	96.6			
English 1	97.8	97.7			
Physical Science	N/A	53.0			
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A			
All Subjects	98.0	96.6			

SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

LIBERTY MIDDLE [Pickens]

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
Students (n=717)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	15.6%	Down from 33.1%	24.9%	24.2%
Retention rate	0.9%	Down from 1.3%	0.7%	0.7%
Attendance rate	95.5%	Down from 96.1%	95.8%	95.9%
Eligible for gifted and talented	17.4%	Down from 18.6%	18.7%	16.4%
With disabilities other than speech	12.1%	Down from 12.7%	12.6%	12.0%
Older than usual for grade	3.1%	No Change	2.1%	2.2%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	Down from 1.6%	0.9%	0.5%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=44)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	63.6%	Up from 57.4%	61.1%	58.5%
Continuing contract teachers	81.8%	Up from 78.7%	84.6%	80.0%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	Down from 5.0%	2.4%	4.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	92.3%	Up from 88.0%	85.7%	84.6%
Teacher attendance rate	93.3%	Down from 96.4%	95.6%	95.4%
Average teacher salary*	\$46,553	Up 3.2%	\$47,460	\$46,561
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	Down from 1.6%	0.0%	1.3%
Professional development days/teacher	17.2 days	Up from 10.8 days	10.8 days	10.2 days
School				
Principal's years at school	5.0	Up from 4.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	17.8 to 1	Down from 20.9 to 1	21.9 to 1	21.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	86.2%	Down from 90.4%	90.6%	90.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Fair	Down from Excellent	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 99.9%	98.5%	98.1%
Character development program	Good	Down from Excellent	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,230	Up 1.7%	\$7,606	\$7,802
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	60.5%	Up from 57.7%	64.0%	63.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	56.0%	Up from 55.0%	60.5%	60.0%
% of AYP objectives met	90.5%	Down from 95.2%	92.6%	92.3%

^{*} Length of contract = 185+ days.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	30	142	49
Percent satisfied with learning environment	50.0%	50.7%	66.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	63.3%	64.8%	61.2%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	60.0%	80.3%	50.0%

^{*}Only students at the highest middle school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Greetings from Liberty Middle School!

The 2009-2010 school year has been a very busy and exciting one. With an emphasis on school and community literacy many activities have taken place. These included:

- -- Parent Literacy Nights
- -- Teacher Literacy Training
- -- Graduate course in literacy for teachers

As a MMGW school we have worked to improve the transition of our new students. We have had several activities during the year that involved Liberty Elementary School. These have included athletic events, visits, and a joint spelling bee.

Single gender classes were expanded into the sixth grade, and all of our faculty members have had single gender training. We feel this has contributed to our continuing test score improvement. In 2010-2011 we will move single gender classes into the 7th grade.

Please get involved in our school and school activities. We have great school in a great community. We need your help to continue our improvemnt process. We are PROUD TO BE FROM LIBERTY!

Donivan Edwards, Principal

Joyce Sanders, SIC Chair

^{**} Prior year audited financial data available.